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UPGRADING OF FACILITIES
KRASNY VELIKAN NORTH AIRFIELD, USSR (SWN)

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: MAJOR FACILITY UPGRADING AND CONSTRUCTION OF TYPE C HARDENED AIRCRAFT SHELTERS IS UNDERWAY AT KRASNY VELIKAN AIRFIELD NEAR THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER. (SWN)
2. REMARKS: KRASNY VELIKAN NORTH AIRFIELD (GRAPHIC 1), 26 NAUTICAL MILES NORTHEAST OF THE USSR-CHINA-MONGOLIA BORDER, HAS BEEN UNDERGOING EXTENSIVE UPGRADING AND CONSTRUCTION SINCE _____ THE AIRFIELD CONSISTED OF A 2,504- BY 44-METER ENE/WSW, OPERATIONAL CONCRETE RUNWAY, A PARALLEL CONCRETE TAXIWAY, TWO PARKING APRONS, TWO MAIN DISPERSAL TAXIWAYS, ONE DISPERSAL AREA WITH EIGHT HARDENED AIRCRAFT SHELTERS, AND CLEARINGS FOR TWO PROBABLE DISPERSAL AREAS. TWO PROBABLE SUPPORT AREAS WERE SOUTH OF THE RUNWAY. APPROXIMATELY 350 ARCH-ROOFED SECTIONS AND APPROXIMATELY 325 STACKS OF CONCRETE PAVING BLOCKS WERE AT A CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT CAMP THREE NAUTICAL MILES SOUTH OF THE AIRFIELD (NOT ON GRAPHICS). (SWN)

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THE SHELTERS (GRAPHIC 2) ARE TYPE C AIRCRAFT SHELTERS WHICH MEASURE APPROXIMATELY 30 METERS LONG BY 16 METERS WIDE. CONSTRUCTION PATTERNS AND GROUND SCARRING INDICATE THAT BETWEEN 24 AND 36 WILL BE BUILT. (SWN)

ANALYST'S COMMENTS -- TYPE C SHELTERS HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH BREWER, FOXBAT, AND FENCER AIRCRAFT. THESE SHELTERS ARE ALSO OF SUFFICIENT SIZE TO ACCOMMODATE NEWER GENERATION AIRCRAFT SUCH AS FOXHOUND A, FLANKER A, AND FULCRUM A. SINCE KRASNY VELIKAN NORTH IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO 1985, ONE OR MORE OF THESE TYPES OF AIRCRAFT COULD BE DEPLOYED HERE WHEN CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED. (SWN)

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